

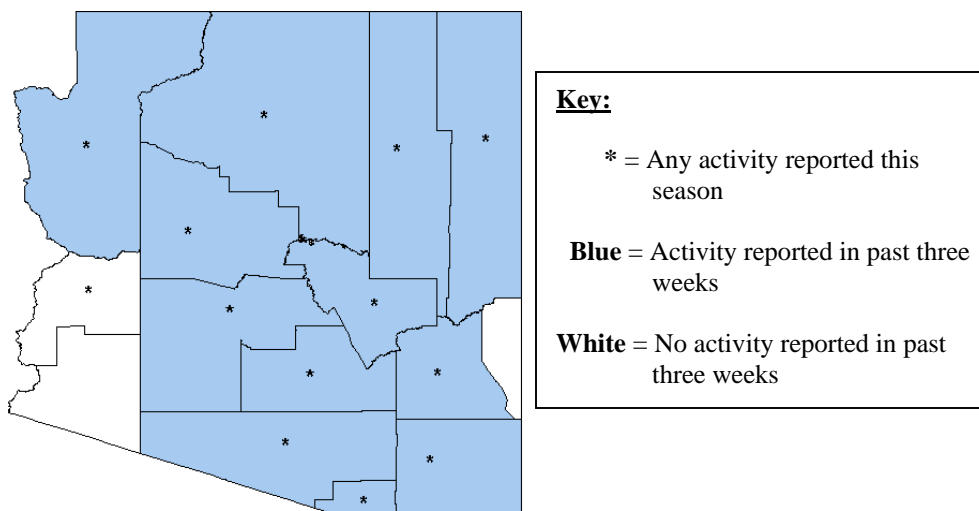
**Weekly Influenza Summary:**

"Regional" influenza activity was reported in Arizona for the week ending on 03/03/2007 (week 9). A total of 987 cases have been reported from across 13 counties. One pediatric influenza-associated death was reported this past week. This is the only pediatric influenza-associated death reported in Arizona for the current season. The influenza-like illness rate is above the state baseline for week 8, though this value represents reports from less than 50% of Arizona's surveillance sites.

Data in this report are provisional and may change as more reports are received.

National influenza surveillance data are available at the CDC's Influenza Surveillance site (<http://www.cdc.gov/flu/weekly/fluactivity.htm>).

**Influenza Activity by County:**



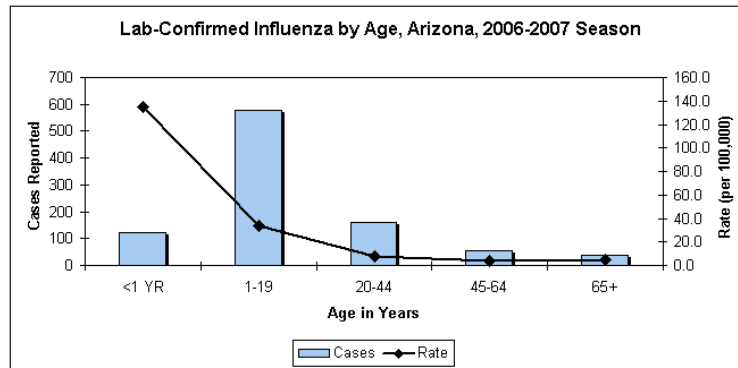
Influenza Cases Reported - 2006-2007 Season [987 cases]

County	# cases	County	# cases	County	# cases
Apache	20	Greenlee	0	Pima	110
Cochise	4	La Paz	1	Pinal	16
Coconino	33	Maricopa	751	Santa Cruz	5
Gila	15	Mohave	7	Yavapai	7
Graham	9	Navajo	9	Yuma	0

Influenza Cases Reported - Week 9 [127 cases]

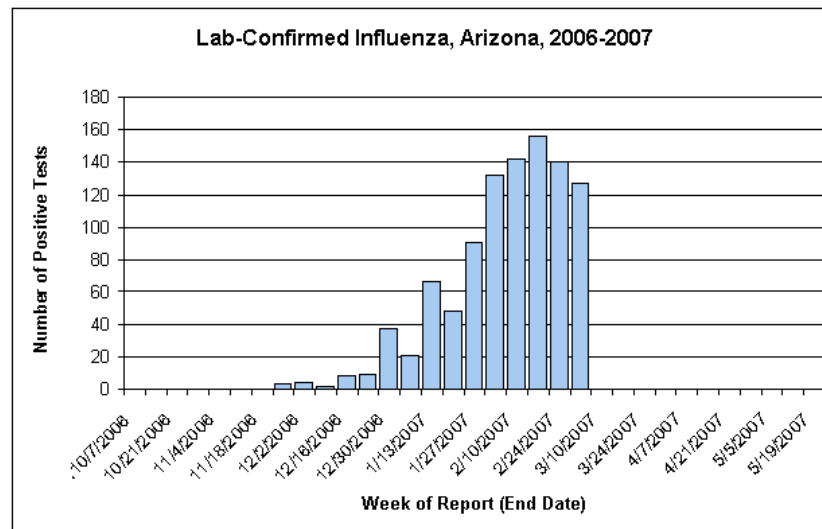
County	# cases	County	# cases	County	# cases
Apache	4	Greenlee	0	Pima	18
Cochise	1	La Paz	0	Pinal	0
Coconino	9	Maricopa	84	Santa Cruz	0
Gila	4	Mohave	2	Yavapai	3
Graham	0	Navajo	2	Yuma	0

## Influenza Activity by Age:



## Lab Surveillance:

Laboratories report positive influenza tests to ADHS. Of the lab-confirmed influenza reported this season, 578 were influenza A (285 confirmed by culture or PCR), 161 were influenza B (88 confirmed by culture or PCR), and 114 were unknown.



## Subtyping – Culture or PCR Results:

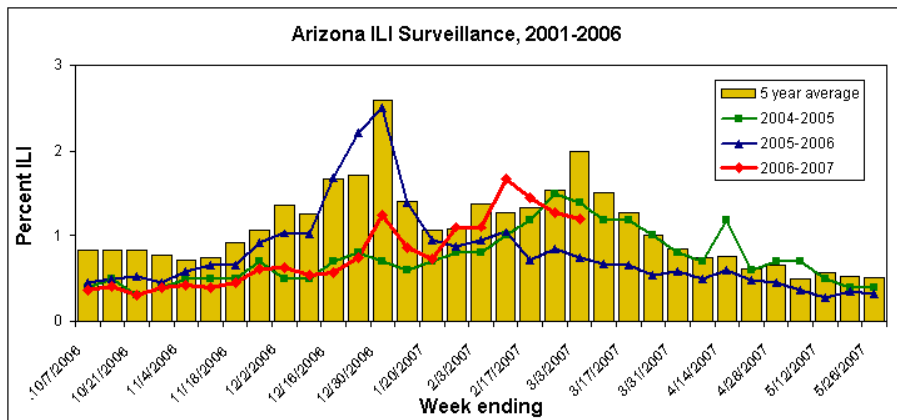
Viral isolation, or culture, is currently the “gold standard” for diagnosis of influenza virus infections. The influenza subtype can be determined by a test called hemagglutination inhibition (HI) using viral isolates. Polymerase chain reaction (PCR) can also be used to identify influenza B and the hemagglutinin (H) component of influenza A.

Of the 285 culture- or PCR-confirmed influenza A cases, 80 are H1N1, 63 are H1 by PCR, 2 are H3N2, 3 are H3 by PCR, and 137 have not been subtyped. Of the 88 culture- or PCR-confirmed influenza B cases, one is B/Shanghai, 21 are B/Malaysia, and 66 have not been subtyped.

## Influenza-Like Illness (ILI) Surveillance from Sentinel Providers

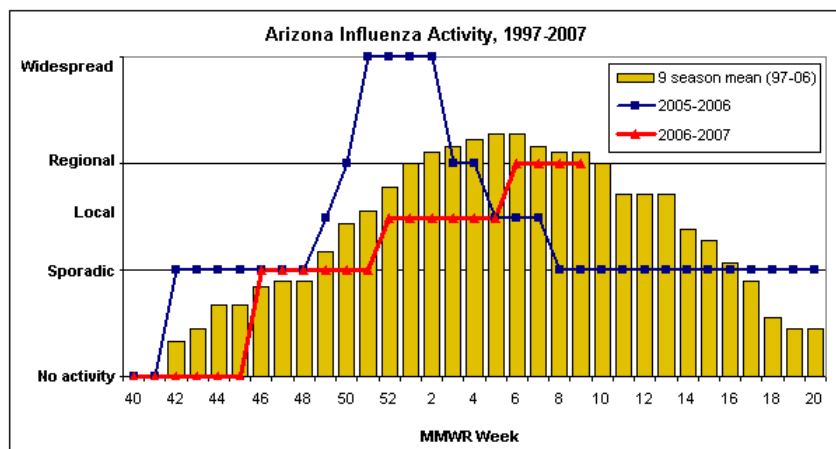
The proportion of patient visits to sentinel providers for ILI in the state was 1.2% for the week ending 02/24/2007 (week 8). This value is higher than the Arizona ILI baseline (0.5%) but represents a decrease from previous weeks. Less than 50% of sentinel providers have reported for the week.

ILI is defined as a fever of at least 100°F plus either a cough or a sore throat.



### Historical Arizona Influenza Activity Levels

The graph below shows the influenza activity levels reported to the CDC this season in comparison to the last season and eight previous seasons. For week 9, Arizona reported “regional” activity. Definitions of these reporting categories can be found at <http://www.cdc.gov/flu/weekly/fluactivity.htm>.



### RSV Activity in Arizona:

Increasing respiratory syncytial virus (RSV) activity has been reported in Arizona. As of 03/03/2007, 1509 lab-confirmed cases have been reported. Of these, 190 were reported during week 9.

